

Village of Osceola Projects

Established in 1844, the Village of Osceola is listed on the National Historic Downtown Register. In 2002, heavy rains broke an earthen dam upstream from the village, flooding a major portion of Osceola's downtown and nearby State Highway 35. After emergency repairs were made, the town developed a comprehensive \$9.25 million project that included the following:

Reconstruction of the main street business district by reconstructing streets, sidewalks, and storm sewers; landscaping; adding enhancements to the downtown area; improving parking; adding new lighting; constructing a scenic outlook over Osceola Creek; building a new wastewater treatment plant; reestablishing the historic dam and millpond; replacing elements of the water and sewer system; and reconstructing a bridge and adding decorative stone.

Investments in the downtown were followed by construction of a \$1.8 million bank and a \$2.5 million senior housing project. In addition, six new businesses relocated to the downtown area, seven businesses expanded, and at least eight businesses invested in significant building improvements.

- WI Department of Transportation (DOT) State Infrastructure Bank Loan (\$550,000)



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